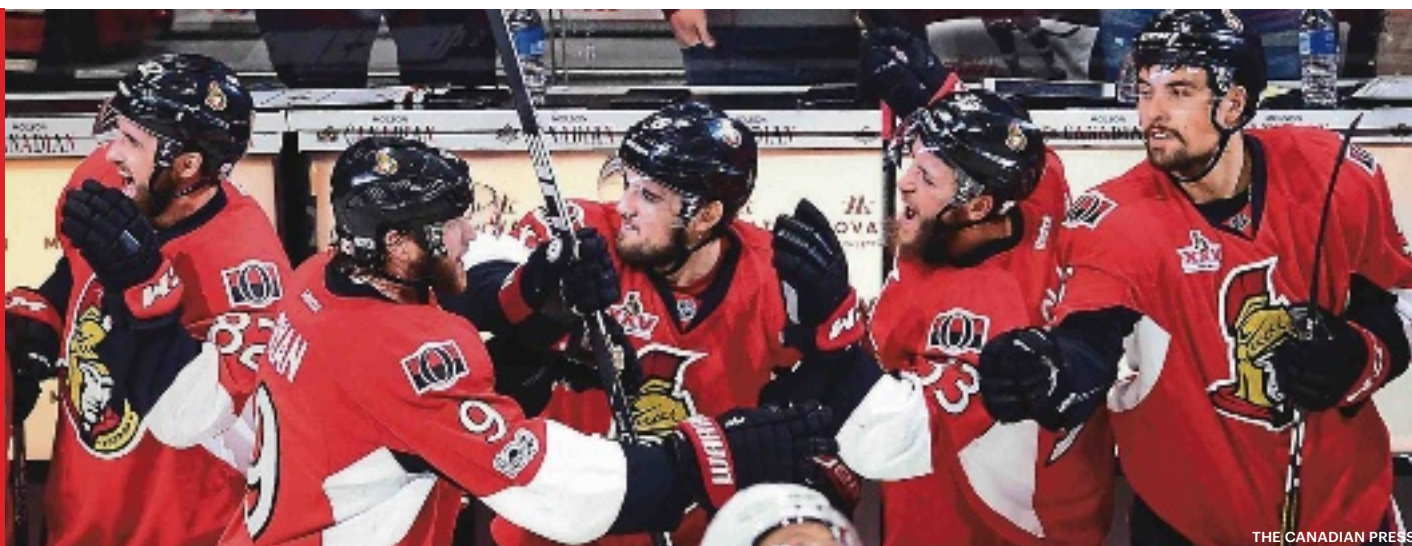


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End intimidation at abortion clinics: Mayor

REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS

Watson calls for provincial legislation to protect women



Ottawa Mayor Jim Watson is asking for provincial legislation to protect women seeking abortion services from intimidation and harassment.

In a letter, the mayor asked Ontario Attorney General Yasir Naqvi to review the possibility of enacting an Access to Abortion Services Act in Ontario, modelled on legislation in British Columbia and Newfoundland

and Labrador that requires a bubble zone around abortion providers.

In a statement, Watson said, "Reproductive rights are human rights. Anyone seeking or providing abortion services should have the right to do so without feeling harassed, threatened, ashamed or afraid for their safety."

Earlier in the day, he had met with the executive directors of

Planned Parenthood and Ottawa Victim Services, together with Coun. Catherine McKenney.

Catherine Macnab of Planned Parenthood had presented him with a letter signed by 24 organizations calling on him "to take a clear, principled stand in support of reproductive rights."

After the meeting, Macnab said she was pleasantly surprised the mayor was raising the issue

with the province.

"That was taking a leadership role in this rather than just explaining that it wasn't municipal jurisdiction," Macnab said.

In response to the letter, Naqvi said his ministry has been working for several weeks to "determine what options are available to the province in order to ensure that harassment at the Morgentaler clinic, and clinics

across the province does not continue," and he will comment further once he has determined the best course of action.

"Our government does not tolerate any form of harassment against women exercising their fundamental right to choose," he said.

Naqvi is the MPP for the area that includes Ottawa's Morgentaler clinic.

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SECURITY

Police on alert after U.K. terror attack

Ottawa police are remaining vigilant after an attack in Manchester, England, Monday night, but don't believe there is any reason for people to be alarmed.

Insp. Murray Knowles said people should be watchful following the incident, but there was no reason to specifically fear an attack in this city could be imminent.

"We continue to ask the public to remain alert, not alarmed and to report any suspicious activity," he said.

He said that, both locally and nationally, police work to gather as much information as possible.

"Our front line officers have been provided with information on this matter by security and intelligence groups and remain vigilant," he said.

Graeme Ivory, a spokesperson for the Ottawa Sports and Entertainment Group, said they put fan safety at the top of their priority list: "Our security measures are constantly reviewed in collaboration with relevant authorities to provide a safe and secure fan experience." METRO

+ RESPONSE

Several event venues across Canada responded by boosting their security:

■ Winnipeg's MTS Centre will have a bomb-sniffing dog on site for Friday's Red Hot Chili Peppers show, bolstering other measures.

■ Toronto's Air Canada Centre will have more boots on the ground for upcoming concerts.

■ The Scotiabank Centre in Halifax promises heightened security and police presence for its I Love The 90s event Wednesday.



Marian Catillo, visiting from Toronto, takes a selfie among the tulips. HALEY RITCHIE/METRO

Tulip festival draws one million people

EVENTS

Organizer says shuttle service must return to handle crowds



Alex Abdelwahab
Metro | Ottawa

About a million people attended this year's tulip festival, which finished this past weekend, according to the organizers.

That's many more people than had been anticipated.

Canadian Tulip Festival executive director Michel Gauthier said the venues were packed throughout the festival, which

brought droves of tourists to the city.

"Hoteliers told us they were at capacity," he said, adding organizers received more calls from people from Toronto and the U.S. saying they wanted to attend.

"Even Monday morning, people were calling saying we're coming, even though it was raining," he said. "We were quite wowed. People really want to get here."

But he admitted organizers hadn't expected the crowds would be quite so big.

This year was the 65th anniversary of the festival and it also coincided with Canada 150 celebrations, so organizers had anticipated more people and added extra toilets to the area

around Dow's Lake.

"There was three stations of porta-potties and that's an increase," Gauthier said. "In the past there was only two."

But still, there were long lines, especially Saturday, which was hot and sunny. Some festi-

Dow's Lake and he will be working closely with OC Transpo.

"I think the Tulip Shuttle needs to come back, because the regular city bus is not enough," he said.

He also said he plans to talk to other festival directors to



Hoteliers told us they were at capacity. Even Monday morning people were calling saying we're coming. Michel Gauthier

val attendees reported waiting more than 30 minutes to use the toilet.

Gauthier also said the festival wants to do a better job of helping tourists who arrive downtown, get to Lansdowne or

ensure future events will be ready for the crowds.

"It's a good word of caution for every event to look at the service they're offering because we're in for a big summer," Gauthier said.



Authorities urge caution after Vanier arsons

Ottawa Police are asking people in Vanier to keep their garbage and recycling containers inside or out of sight after a string of suspicious fires. Police issued the warning Tuesday after a number of fires in the neighbourhood.

Anyone with information regarding these arsons is asked to call Ottawa Police's Arson Unit at 613-236-1222, ext. 3770. They can also submit tips anonymously at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or by downloading the Ottawa Police app. METRO

Council to vote on demolition of heritage building

Ottawa City Council will vote Wednesday on whether to approve an application to demolish a heritage building in the Rockcliffe Park Heritage Conservation District. The house at 270 Buchan Rd. was built in 1940 and designated part of the conservation district in 1997.

According to the city's report, it is a Grade I building, meaning it "cannot be demolished except in extraordinary circumstances." The property owner, Richcraft Homes, wants to tear it down to build "a residence satisfying contemporary lifestyle needs." METRO

Fire crews responded to 24,000 incidents: Report

Ottawa Fire Services responded to more than 24,000 incidents in 2016, according to their annual report, which will be presented to City council Wednesday. That number represents a five per cent increase in incidents from 2015. The fire service also received more calls overall to its communication centre: 91,200, an increase of 400 calls from 2015. METRO

CITY HALL

Urban campsite sales for Ottawa 2017 celebrations below expectations



Haley Ritchie
Metro | Ottawa

The city has sold less than 14 per cent of the "urban campsites" planned for Ottawa 2017

celebrations.

"Mindful of council's clear direction that Urban Camping operate on a cost-recovery basis, staff have been closely monitoring registration," said city manager Dan Chenier in a memo to staff.

The city was offering 571 sites

inside the city for camping and parking RVs, although no alcohol or campfires were to be allowed on site.

The spots cost between \$220, for three nights in a tent, to \$1,130, for five nights of RV parking. Right now the city has

79 registrations, and it expects to be close to 100 by the time registration closes.

"As a result, we will be consolidating the number of camping locations on active offer to better reflect the level of demand and to contain costs."

Six sites farther from downtown will be removed from the program. Camping will still take place at the Jim Durrell Recreation Centre, Tom Brown Arena, Richelieu Vanier Community Centre, St-Laurent Complex and the Earl Armstrong Arena.

79

Number of the 571 in-town campsites that have been booked so far.

Conservatives must court youth

DEMOGRAPHICS

Millennial voters could make or break party's future



Ryan Tumilty
Metro | Ottawa

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau was probably thinking strategically when, after winning the federal election, he appointed himself Canada's youth minister.

In the 2015 vote, his party rode a wave of young voters, and the PM no doubt wanted to stay connected to that cohort. According to a study by Samara Canada, the percentage of those 18 to 34 who voted jumped from 41.8 to 57 per cent between 2011 and 2015.

And had it not been for that influx of youth voters, Stephen Harper might well have won a fourth term. His Conservative

Party, which will finally pick Harper's successor on Saturday, received nearly the same number of votes in 2015 as in 2011, when it won a majority.

Justin Burton hopes his fellow Conservatives will keep those numbers in mind this weekend. Now 32, he's been a member since he was 19, though he allowed his membership to lapse briefly when he felt the party wasn't listening.

He's volunteered on countless local campaigns in his time with the party, but is purposefully sitting on the sidelines for the leadership contest. He will be there in Toronto when the party's new leader is announced.

But after 2015's loss, Burton said, the party was eager to hear what he had to say.

"We finally started to realize, if we can't do anything to chip away at that 17- to 30-year-old market, we're not going to be in power for a long time."

Burton set up a think-tank — Future Conservative Leaders of Canada — designed to



Conservative leadership hopeful Michael Chong says his party needs to show it embraces diversity and is concerned about climate change to woo youth.
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reach out to the party's youth.

He said millennials support diversity, want Canada open to the world and want leaders with an environmental plan.

"We grew up in an era where these sort of things were normalized. We didn't question these values, so for a leader of the Conservative Party to not embrace these values will be a huge problem for them."

voters split between Trudeau and a new NDP leader. It's also possible that the 2015 youth turnout was a blip, he said, but betting on that would be risky.

Coletto said any candidate wanting to reach those voters is going to have to speak to issues important to them, like climate change and diversity.

He said the language that some leadership contenders have used could hurt them.

"The surest way to alienate yourself amongst the largest group of voters is to position yourself as being somehow extreme and closed-minded to lifestyle choices people make."

Leadership hopeful Michael Chong said younger voters are sending a clear message to the Conservative party.

"If the party doesn't embrace

an inclusive vision we will be on the outs for a long time," he said.

Chong is the only candidate advocating for a carbon tax and was also alone in voting for the Liberals' anti-Islamophobia motion earlier this year.

He said he can deliver younger voters and believes he has a path to victory, which he admits is "narrow."

He said younger voters flocked to Trudeau in part because of electoral-reform promises, since broken. He said if the Conservative Party is inclusive and has a serious democratic-reform proposal, it can compete for years to come.

"We have to build a much bigger party that brings in a new generation of Conservatives."

It's going to be the first election in 40 years in which baby boomers are not going to be the largest part of the electorate.

David Coletto, CEO, Abacus Data

13 CANDIDATES

... and the policies they're pitching to win voters of all ages



Chris Alexander
Age: 48
Policy: Focus on architecture, design, and recreational planning to improve quality of life



Maxime Bernier
Age: 54
Policy: Phasing out foreign aid used to boost other nations' economies



Steve Blaney
Age: 52
Policy: Allowing a tax deduction for mortgage interest



Michael Chong
Age: 45
Policy: Making Conservative Party memberships free



Kellie Leitch
Age: 46
Policy: National referendums on issues with a petition by three per cent of voters



Pierre Lemieux
Age: 54
Policy: Dramatically increasing military spending



Deepak Obhrai
Age: 66
Policy: Raising Old Age Security in line with increases to MP salaries



Erin O'Toole
Age: 44
Policy: Pushing for a trade and security pact with the U.K., New Zealand and Australia



Rick Peterson
Age: 61
Policy: Eliminating corporate income tax



Lisa Raitt
Age: 49
Policy: Double tax credit for apprentices



Andrew Saxton
Age: 53
Policy: Expanding apprenticeships



Andrew Scheer
Age: 55
Policy: Making parental and maternity leave benefits tax-free



Brad Trost
Age: 43
Policy: Introduce a government bill to outlaw abortion for sex selection

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City 'at risk' for Lyme disease

HEALTH

Upgraded designation as bacteria found in 20% of ticks



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Ottawa has been upgraded to an "at-risk" area for Lyme disease, after testing by Ottawa Public Health identified the bacteria in 20 per cent of tested ticks.

"Ticks are here, that's the reality, but people don't need to panic," said Ann Stanton-Loucks, environmental health advocate for Ottawa Public Health.

"They just have to make sure they're taking proper precautions. It's something as simple as making a tick check part of a daily routine," she said.

Blacklegged ticks, also known as deer ticks, are small bugs that attach themselves to humans and pets with their mouths and drink blood over



The blacklegged tick, also known as the Deer tick, top right, may carry bacteria that causes Lyme disease. BEN GARVER/THE BERKSHIRE EAGLE VIA THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

a period of days.

The insects hang out in tall grass and attach to bare skin. Stanton-Loucks said precautions include wearing closed-toed shoes, wear-

ing bug spray, tucking pants into socks and wearing long sleeves.

The blacklegged tick can carry bacteria that causes Lyme disease, a treatable

condition with a variety of symptoms that can be serious if left undiagnosed.

In 2010, the city only had seven reported cases of Lyme disease. In 2015, there were

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Ticks are here, that's the reality, but people don't need to panic.
”
Ann Stanton-Loucks

71; in 2016 there were 75.

The number of cases has been growing over the past six years, but until this year — when 28 per cent of ticks tested positive for Lyme — Ottawa hadn't crossed the "at-risk" threshold of 20 per cent.

"Temperatures are warming up and the migratory birds have moved earlier into this part of the country. As we saw the ticks have come and become established in certain areas," said Stanton-Loucks. "People are becoming more and more aware of the risk."

If you do find a tick, Stanton-Loucks said, it's important not to irritate the insect with heat, smothering or liquids. Instead, the tick needs to be removed entirely — either with a tick key or tweezers — and cleaned afterward.

WASTEWATER PROJECTS

Province, feds offer funding

Ottawa is getting more than \$45 million from the province and the federal government for 18 projects meant to update wastewater infrastructure.

The federal government is offering 50 per cent of funding (\$30.2 million) and the province is offering a quarter (\$15.1 million). The city is expected to cover the remaining costs.

"This federal and provincial funding is critical to help Ottawa move forward on our long-term plans to protect and sustain the health of our local water systems," said mayor Jim Watson, who made the announcement inside city hall on Tuesday, alongside local MPPs and MPs.

"The funding will also advance a number of priority needs to modernize our existing water, wastewater and stormwater infrastructure," he said.

The projects include \$13.5 million for upgrades to the Robert O. Picard Environmental Center and \$5.5 million for culvert renewal across the city.

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PLAYGROUND CONTROVERSY

Indigenous people consulted: Mayor



Alex Abdelwahab
Metro | Ottawa

Ottawa Mayor Jim Watson has responded to criticism that the newly constructed playground at Mooney's Bay is culturally insensitive to Indigenous people.

Watson said the production company responsible for the playground's design reached out to local First Nations, as well as the Algonquins of Ontario, to obtain their input and collaboration on the project.

"With regards to the West

Coast/British Columbia component of the playground, the company did secure participation from the Haida Gwaii, and they were supportive of the incorporation of totem poles in the design," he said.

He also said that the company had partnered with Northern Youth Abroad to include Indigenous youth in the playground's construction.

Over the weekend, more than 100 posts on Twitter called out the Giver 150 playground for reinforcing stereotypes of Indigenous people

and perpetuating colonialism. Many people were particularly concerned about the playgrounds use of multi-coloured totem poles.

The playground was built in the shape of Canada to commemorate the 150th anniversary and includes 10 play structures representing different regions of the country. It will officially open on July 1.

The cost of the playground was split evenly between the City of Ottawa and a Toronto production company — each paid about \$960,000.

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8-year-old girl among Manchester victims

BRITAIN

Many parents still waiting to hear from their kids

Names of the victims are beginning to emerge in Monday night's deadly bombing at an Ariana Grande concert in Manchester.

For a crowd of mostly young British music fans, the concert was supposed to be a school night out enjoying cheerful high-energy pop. It quickly turned into sheer terror.

A suicide bomber detonated a powerful explosive device moments after the American singer wrapped up her show Monday night in Manchester, sending people into a desperate search for missing family and friends. The blast killed 22 people and wounded 59 others, with 12 of the wounded under the age of 16, officials said.

One of the victims has been identified as eight-year-old Saffie Rose Roussos, a "beautiful

little girl" who was taken to the concert by her mother.

Saffie was remembered fondly by Chris Upton, the head teacher at Tarleton Community Primary School.

"Saffie was simply a beautiful little girl in every aspect of the word," Upton told The Guardian. "She was loved by everyone and her warmth and kindness will be remembered fondly."

Another victim is 18-year-old Georgina Callander, who studied health and social care at Runshaw College in Lancashire.

The school released a statement on Facebook saying, "Our deepest sympathies, thoughts and prayers go out to all of Georgina's friends, family, and all of those affected by this loss."

Charlotte Campbell was among the parents still looking for their children. She told BBC Radio 4's Today program that her 15-year-old daughter, Olivia, was still missing.

She said she had spoken to her at the concert. "She'd just seen the support act and said she was having an amazing time, and thanking me for let-

ting her go," she said.

"I'm at home phoning everybody: hospitals, police, the centres that the children have been put in," Campbell said. "Her dad's in Manchester looking for her. I've got friends looking for her. I've got people I don't even know looking for her ... And I'm just hearing nothing. Her phone's dead."

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DETAILS

■ Prime Minister Theresa May said Britain's terror threat level had been raised to critical — meaning another attack may be imminent. The status means armed soldiers could be deployed instead of police at public events including sports matches.

■ Daesh claimed responsibility for the attack. Manchester Police Chief Ian Hopkins identified the bomber as 22-year-old Salman Abedi.



Above: Georgina Callander and Ariana Grande in 2015.

Bottom: Saffie Rose Roussos. Callander and Roussos were the first victims to be identified in an attack at Manchester Arena, which left 22 people dead on Monday.

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NOVA SCOTIA

Charges laid in lobster fraud case



Philip Croucher
Metro | Halifax

Three people in Nova Scotia are facing charges in an alleged lobster theft and fraud case totaling around \$3 million.

The RCMP say in July of 2015, they received information about a Shag Harbour man allegedly defrauding a Shelburne County lobster company of \$175,000. From that, an investigation was launched and more crimes committed, police say.

"They've been in the lobster industry for quite some time," RCMP Supt. Martin Marin said.

During the course of the investigation, the RCMP looked into allegations that a lobster company in Clark's Harbour had been defrauded of over \$500,000 in 2014-15.

The RCMP have charged Terry Dale Banks, Wayne Lawrence Banks and Christopher Olen Malone with fraud and theft. All three men have been released from custody on conditions and will return to court on Aug. 24.

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JESSICA ALLEN ON HOT BLACK COFFEE FOR A NEW AGE



Food wasn't just a detail in Twin Peaks: It was central to the show's humour — something the reboot may have forgotten.

Everyone is talking about how strange the new Twin Peaks is. Critics are saying television hasn't been this odd since, well, the original Twin Peaks aired back in 1990.

No surprise there. Welcome back to the weird and wonderful mind of David Lynch.

But two things struck me while watching the first four episodes of the 18-part continuation. First, where are the coffee, cherry pie and jelly-filled doughnuts? And second, who would have thought that coffee and doughnuts would have morphed into a world of almost unfathomable oddity?

"Coffee culture" happened so gradually that we didn't even know it.

It's been 25 years since FBI Agent Dale Cooper tells Sheriff Truman in the first season of Twin Peaks to treat himself every day, whether it be to an office catnap or "two cups of good hot black coffee."

The new series lets us examine the evolution from diner coffee to unicorn frappuccinos with wonderment.

By way of introduction may I remind you of the Cronut? I doubt even the Log Lady could've predicted that, not to mention \$6 cups of cold brew, gourmet matcha green tea

doughnuts — even gluten-free doughnuts, a metaphysical feat only achievable in the extra dimensional Black Lodge.

Food was omnipresent in many of the so-called Golden

couldn't resist. Junk food and jumbo coffees were basically members of the family on Gilmore Girls.

But food wasn't just a detail in the original Twin Peaks.

were the bench mark for the norm that let Twin Peaks' wilder flights of fancy soar, it should come as no surprise that in a world of \$75 "cat poop" coffee — made from beans partially digested by cats — the show's universe now isn't just weird. It is almost beyond comprehension.

In Twin Peaks, Deputy Chief "Hawk" is opening the old case file on Laura Palmer. There on the table beside him is a pink box of doughnuts. Despite the audience wondering if Norma was forced to use a brand consultant, Truman's cellphone and Ben Horn's weed-infused comestibles, not a lot seems to have changed in the north-west logging town.

So we are hooked again, brought into a mind-altering reality through the basic power of a black cup of coffee and doughnuts. The Tim Hortons execs who are trying to figure out how to mass-produce lattes should take note, before the real world surpasses the new Twin Peaks in its oddity.

Jessica Allen is the digital correspondent on CTV's The Social.



Twin Peaks ushered in a Golden Era of food-centric TV, including Seinfeld and Gilmore Girls, writes Jessica Allen. AP PHOTO

Age of Television series that arguably started with Twin Peaks. The diner in Seinfeld is as much a character as the woods are in Twin Peaks. Then there's The Sopranos and Carmela's baked ziti and the pork sandwiches from Satriale's that even the FBI agents following Tony

It was central to the show's humour — something the reboot may have forgotten — and in grounding the characters in a normal world. Sure, there was a lady who got messages from her log but somewhere there was coffee and doughnuts and cherry pie. If coffee and doughnuts

Appropriation prize flap a chance to listen, learn



Vicky Mochama Metro | Toronto

Two weeks ago, I watched several powerful people gleefully line up to throw money at the opportunity to refuse to hear criticism.

The so-called appropriation prize and the ensuing fallout at major media organizations are not about free speech. This is about who gets to speak and who should be thankful for being allowed to exist.

At times, Indigenous issues overlap with my ill-attended-to specialties: race, gender, and politics. To be sure, it's a wide umbrella, but it doesn't always cover everything.

On those occasions, I read, listen and learn.

In the aftermath of the Joseph Boyden controversy, I read Indigenous writers who, with compassion and fury, asked for transparency.

After the human rights tribunal concluded Canada discriminated against Indigenous children, I read the rulings and listened to Cindy Blackstock's fierce advocacy.

I listen to podcasts from Media Indigena and Indian and Cowboy.

Slowly but surely, I'm working through the Truth and Reconciliation Commission report. It's a harrowing read, but essential.

I say this not to self-congratulate, but to say that I am still in the shallow end. Every new piece of information leads to more questions, which leads to

answers that only ask more questions. Until I can swim in the deep end with Indigenous people, I'm going to do my best to stay in my lane.

And that's what the appropriation prize organizers and their supporters need to do. Because in a short period of time, they revealed the things we — Indigenous, Black, racialized people — suspected to be true: That for them, our cultures, like ourselves, can be put up for auction. That our histories, our pains, our joys (if we're allowed that), our style — the things that make us strong and unique — are available to most ambitious imitators.

There have been consequences: a resignation, a demotion, and some apologies. But there are still more non-Indigenous people defining terms of a conversation they're not equipped to have.

For us, it's a time for listening and for learning. For progress and reconciliation to work, speaking up cannot mean speaking over.

In Indigenous Writes, a friendly and righteous raft for these waters, Chelsea Vowel says, "What we cannot do is pretend the subject matter is anything but difficult. Sometimes, we will simply have to agree to disagree." Still, she insists that it can be done: "We begin that process by understanding the fundamental issues."

The most consistent voices asking for explanation, accountability and apology were Indigenous.

Simply, they are the voices to listen to.

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We just left from touring in Europe and this was such a real fear we discussed frequently. I was crushed today to hear it became a reality.

Drake



Inset: Pierre Lescure and Isabelle Huppert in a moment of silence at Cannes Film Festival. GETTY

Fear of attacks unites artists

MANCHESTER ATTACK

Stars show solidarity after terror at Ariana Grande concert

Attacks such as the deadly bombing that killed 22 people at an Ariana Grande concert in Manchester, England were a “real fear” that was “discussed frequently” while touring in Europe, Canadian rap star Drake said Tuesday.

In a post on Instagram, the Toronto-raised rapper wrote: “My condolences to all of the families affected and we will be praying for all of Manchester. Also, I am praying on peace of mind for Ariana,” he wrote.

Monday’s explosion sparked a stampede of young concertgoers, some still wearing Grande’s trademark kitten ears and holding pink balloons. Authorities said an eight-year-old girl was among the dead.

Drake was one of several Canadian stars with teenage followings who voiced sympathy and solidarity Tuesday for those affected by the attack.

Teen idol Shawn Mendes, pop singers Justin Bieber, and Alessia Cara as well as YouTube star Lilly Singh all took to Twitter with messages of support.

Mendes, who is scheduled to play in Paris on Wednesday, described himself as “completely heartbroken.”

“I am truly so sorry about what has happened in Manchester tonight. Unthinkable events. All my love to the families affected,” he said.

Cara helped circulate an on-line list of those still missing after Monday’s show, adding “my heart is with u, Manchester.”

Bieber simply tweeted the hashtag #PrayForManchester.

Singh, who was set to perform in Malaysia on Tuesday, tweeted: “My heart and prayers go out to Ariana and everyone at her show in Manchester. I can’t even imagine the feeling. No words.”

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Light beer now that daydrinking is here

ALCOHOL

Popularity of fruity beverages set to keep rising

Genna Buck

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Another scorching summer is about to hit, and for Canadians that usually means one thing – drinking.

“Patio season, dock season, hipsters in parks: No matter what kind of Canadian you are, you drink beer in the summer,” said Crystal Luxmore, a beersomelier and beverage writer who runs craft beer tasting events with the Beer Sisters in Toronto.

But, “people want to be able to...have a few on the patio and not feel too tipsy in the heat,” Luxmore said – hence the explosion in the popularity of lighter drinks with less than five per cent alcohol by volume.

Cider sales have been surging since 2014. The lightly alcoholic Aperol spritz was so popular last summer that importers had trouble keeping it on store shelves.

And the beverage known as a radler in Germany and a shandy in the British Isles – essentially equal parts beer and some kind of non-alcoholic fruit drink such as pop, juice, or lemonade – has been on the rise in Canada for about seven years, Luxmore said. But they’ve really exploded in recent summers as both giants like Molson and Canadian craft breweries have increased their offerings, she added.

It’s all part of the trend away from super-sweet, highlighter-hued coolers.

“We’re more health conscious, even what comes into alcohol. Beer is a natural product. Combining that with real juice or fresh zested fruit seems healthier for us than a glucose-fructose-laden alcopop.”

Luxmore said she has seen

breweries increasingly experimenting with beers that have fruit smashed directly in, zest and all, resulting in bolder-flavoured tipples that are still fairly low in alcohol.


She also expects to see a continued rise in full-strength beers sweetened with natural fruit – blueberry lager, watermelon wheat beer, and hoppy IPAs, mixed with tropical fruits.


Demographics has something to do with it: One of the only groups of Canadians whose alcohol consumption is increasing is younger women. Traditionally, radlers and ciders are considered “fruity and girly,” and concoctions like the Bud Light Lime-A-Rita are clearly marketed at women, Luxmore said.

But, “the way a craft brewery does a radler – citrusy, dry, not too sweet – appeals to men and women,” she said. “Increasingly, it’s not a lady thing to drink fruit beer.”



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In-between Lexus IS model outperformed by rest of series



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Lexus is playing catch up in the sport sedan segment and one way it's trying to compete is by introducing new trim levels in its popular IS series.

For many, the base IS 200t is a great choice, but it's only available with rear-wheel drive. While the range-topping IS 350 drives all four wheels, it's expensive and fuel thirsty. To try to alleviate this issue, Lexus has introduced the IS 300 AWD, a model in the middle of the lineup that can only be had with all-wheel drive.

While the four-cylinder turbocharged Lexus IS 200t starts at \$42,195, the IS 300 AWD comes in at \$44,995, commanding a \$2,800 premium for two extra drive wheels and cylinders. It sounds like a good deal, at first.

The IS 300 AWD has 14 ponies over its smaller displacement, turbocharged brother, but is down 22 lb-ft of torque. The lack of twist is noticeable and the IS 300 AWD feels slow and pokey to get going. And it seems much less powerful and torquey than the range-topping IS 350, which has 50 more hp and 40 more lb-ft of torque.

There's also no benefit at the pumps for getting the IS

300 AWD over the IS 350 AWD, which starts at \$55,395. If buyers thought they would get some fuel savings by opting for the less powerful V6, they should think otherwise and consider the much more fuel efficient IS 200t.

The engine does, however, provide smooth and linear acceleration and doesn't impact the solid driving dynamics of the car. Steering is good, which is to say it's well-weighted and responsive. Even the steering wheel itself is nice and chunky, with lots to hold onto and a progressive steering feel with none of the weirdness you get from variable ratio racks.

The chassis is also pretty good, meaning that the car reacts to direction changes well, but without the harshness that comes from cars trying to be too sporty. It's best described as smooth and obedient. The suspension in particular is really balanced between soft and stiff.

It's worth talking about the polarizing interior of the car. With plenty of odd angles inside the cabin, it's definitely not the most user-friendly, with bizarrely placed vent openings and an infotainment screen that's far and deep into the dashboard.

The infotainment system has to be one of the worst designs available on the market, thanks to an imprecise and hyperactive mouse-like controller, it's a pain to select items on the screen. It makes it extremely frustrating to control the navigation or make calls while driving and requires too much attention.

It's hard to recommend this over the two other models in the lineup.

EXPLAINED

New vehicle categories mostly jargon made up by marketing



What new word is Porsche calling its Panamera hatchback? HANDOUT

Automakers have become very creative with how they classify cars. It used to be simple: sedan, wagon, truck, SUV, hatchback or coupe, but now there are all kinds of strange terms for vehicle segments.

A few terms are rising in popularity: sportback, four-door coupe and shooting brake. Buick recently called its upcoming Regal a sportback, while Mercedes calls the CLS and CLA "coupes" even though they have four doors. What does it mean?

Sportback

The new Buick Regal is called a sportback, as is the Audi A7 and Porsche Panamera. What do these cars have in common? They all have a sloping roofline and truncated rear end. But that's not all it takes to describe a sportback, since that's also what makes a fastback (which is a coupe). Sportbacks also have

roof-mounted trunks.

While wagons and hatchbacks also typically feature the roof-mounted trunk or liftgate, the term has become tarnished over the years, at least in the eyes of premium automakers. The word "wagon" brings up memories of wood-panelled stations wagons, while "hatchback" calls to mind a pedestrian compact car, like a Toyota Matrix.

Four-door coupe

Many cars with a sloping roofline are also called "four-door coupes," which is confusing. A

coupe is supposed to have two doors, but the Mercedes CLA and CLS are called coupes despite having four. The difference here is how the trunk opens, which in four-door coupes is a more like a traditional trunk, meaning the rear glass does not open with it.

Four-door coupes tend to have another element in common with regular two-door coupes: Most don't have window frames.

Shooting brake

Commonly used to describe European wagons, it comes with a short history lesson. Back in

the day, English hunting parties used to carry their gear in a practically sized vehicle, that's transferred to the modern automobile as a shooting brake.

These cars are always wagons, although the number of doors can vary. Ferrari calls the FF a shooting brake and it has two doors, while the folks at Jaguar describe the wagon variant of the XF a shooting brake. Mercedes further confuses things by calling its CLS wagon variant (which isn't sold in North America) a shooting brake.

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NASHVILLE ADVANCES

Lowest seed of post-season to play for its first Stanley Cup

With the worst record of the 16 playoff teams, the Nashville Predators have advanced to their first Stanley Cup final in team history.

How did they do it? Here are a few reasons:

PEKKA RINNE

The 34-year-old has sizzled with a .941 save percentage in 16 post-season starts. He was especially superb against Chicago in the first round — stopping 123 of 126 shots — and then again more recently as the Preds closed out the Ducks in the Western Conference final.

Rinne, interestingly enough, hasn't always been the most effective playoff performer. He posted a less-than-impressive .906 save percentage in 14

games last year, including 12 goals against on 71 shots (.831) in the final three games of a second-round loss to San Jose.

DEFENCE

The engine of everything Nashville is a top-notch defence, fronted by the imposing foursome of P.K. Subban, Mattias Ekholm, Roman Josi and Ryan Ellis — each of whom is averaging more than 24 minutes this spring.

"All of us like to skate and be part of the attack," Ellis said in describing the unit. "I think as a whole we pride ourselves on not only being great defensively, but being good offensively as well in helping our forwards out."

The Preds have gotten 11 goals and 42 points from the defence in these playoffs.

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Forsberg has been pretty good for a while now with an average

of 30 goals and 62 points in his first three full NHL seasons. He's added another eight goals and 15 points in 16 games in these playoffs, dominating with his speed, shot and skill against the Ducks.

DEPTH

A must for any Cup contender, the Preds have found meaningful contributions from everywhere. Notable among them is Colton Sissons, who notched a hat trick in Game 6 against the Ducks and has five goals on 14 shots this spring. The former 2012 second-round pick has as many points (10) in 16 playoff games as he had in 58 during the regular

season.

Sixteen different players have scored for the Preds in the post-season.

COACHING

Pushing an up-tempo brand of hockey, Peter Laviolette got Nashville back into the playoffs in his first season (2014-15), into the second round in his second and into the first conference and Cup final for the franchise this spring.

"Our coaching staff has developed the philosophy that has allowed a lot of players' games to improve and really develop," Ellis said.

"Now it's more of a five-man attack and everyone contributing at both ends of the ice which has been instrumental for not only myself, but guys like Mattias, (Josi), and various different players."

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Pekka Rinne

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NBA PLAYOFFS

Warriors kick down door to Finals

Kevin Durant does not need to be told that Golden State should have a muted celebration after winning the Western Conference final.

Durant is fully aware a tough challenge awaits. It's why Durant signed with the Warriors and why Stephen Curry, Klay Thompson and Draymond Green embraced him at the expense of their own stats.

"We have a bigger goal in mind," Durant said.

Golden State has a chance to earn their second championship in three years after sweeping

the San Antonio Spurs with a 129-115 victory Monday night.

The Warriors became the first team in league history to open the playoffs 12-0, which provides them with a week of rest prior to their third straight NBA Finals appearance.

Golden State will host Game 1 of the championship series on June 1 against either Cleveland or Boston. The Cavaliers took a 2-1 lead into

Game 4 of the Eastern Conference final Tuesday, but Curry alluded the Warriors are expecting a rematch with LeBron James and company.

"We all know, obviously, who we're going to play," Curry said. "We'll be watching the Eastern Conference final to see how that unfolds. But it will be easy to start this new chapter and really just lock in on what's in front

of us."

Facing Cleveland will resurrect chatter of Golden State's collapse in last season's Finals, which saw the Cavaliers rally from a 3-1 deficit to win the franchise's first championship.

"This year is a totally different year, different group, different journey," Curry said.

The Warriors have shown their strength by blasting through the playoffs in the normally rugged West. Golden State is shooting 50 per cent from the field while averaging 118.3 points.

IN BRIEF

Sharapova granted wild card for Rogers Cup

Maria Sharapova has been awarded a wild card for the Rogers Cup in August in her comeback from a 15-month doping ban.

Since her return, the former No. 1 player has used wild cards to play three events on the WTA Tour. She was denied a wild card for the French Open.

Rogers Cup tournament director Karl Hale calls her a "fan favourite," noting she has completed her punishment.

Rio Games medals defective

A group of more than 100 athletes from around the world have discovered their medals from the Rio Olympics to be defective.

Rio Games spokesman Mario Andrada said that officials have noted problems with the covering on six to seven per cent of the medals. "The most common issue is that they were dropped or mishandled, and the varnish has come off and they've rusted or gone black in the spot where they were damaged," Andrada said.

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MAKE IT TONIGHT

Tangy Avocado Chicken Salad Sandwich



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Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada

There is no end to the creaminess an avocado can give most any recipe and this tangy chicken salad is no exception.

Ready in 15 minutes

Prep time: 10 minutes
Makes: 4 to 6 sandwiches

Ingredients

- 1 avocado,
- 2 Tbsp fresh lime juice
- 1 tsp fresh cilantro, chopped
- 1/4 cup mayonnaise
- 1/4 cup Greek yogurt
- pinch of salt and pepper
- 4 pitas or 6 mini pitas
- 2 cups cooked chicken, cubed

Directions

1. Slice open your avocado, carefully remove the pit and then use a small, sharp knife to score the flesh. Now use a small spoon to scoop out those avocado cubes.

2. In a large bowl, mix all your ingredients (expect the pitas) together. Be gentle so the avocado keeps some of its shape. Taste for seasoning. If you've got time to cover the salad for half an hour the flavours will deepen.

3. Slice open your pitas and use a spoon to stuff them with salad.

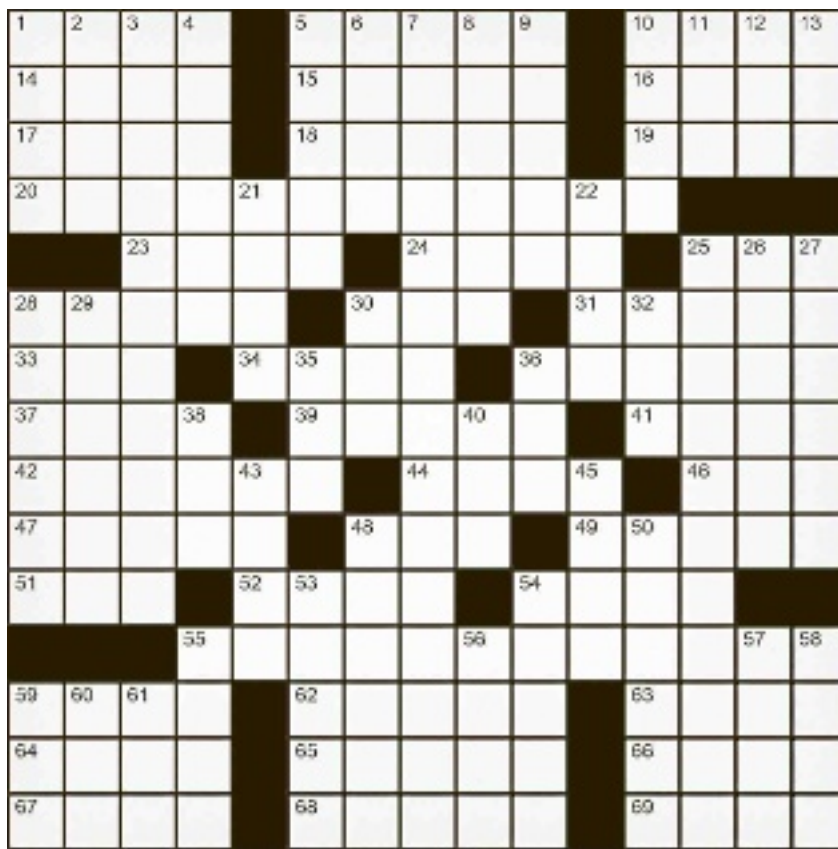
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ACROSS

- Cafe au __
- Scoope
- Impresses
- "Deal __ Deal"
- Circus performer, informally
- Corn lily
- Broad
- Dices
- Short-tailed wildcat
- New single off Serena Ryder's latest album 'Utopia' that goes "You're plugging into me / High voltage chemistry...": 2 wds.
- Prefix to 'normal'
- "Citizen __" (1941)
- To and __
- Suzette's serving at brunch?
- Purchase
- Any episode of "The Beachcombers" now
- Distinguished title abbr.
- Traverse
- Joan's "Knots Landing" character
- Mr. Garcia of "Ocean's Eleven" (2001)
- The __ Rovers (Canadian folk group)
- Carte du jour
- Skin beautifiers
- Traveller's documentation
- Robert Plant's rock gr.
- Beach Boys song title car
- Nadia's famous score in Montreal
- Movie projector attachments



- Percentage on a chg. card
- German industrial region
- Gang's land
- Canadian movie director: 2 wds.
- "10, 9, 8 ...lift off!" gr.
- Puffer's par-

- ticular pipe
- Church section
- Grad
- Like acid wash jeans, now
- Exclude
- Non-royal
- Heretofore: 2 wds.
- Becomes beyond

betrothed

DOWN

- TV/movies actor Chad
- Botanical 'coat'
- Sovereign
- Workie boot protection
- Ghana's cap-

- ital city
- Seafood fish of Hawaii, when doubled
- St. Catharines, Ontario school: 2 wds.
- Live, as a soccer ball: 2 wds.
- Model/actor Mr. Beckford
- Trickery

- Prefix to 'moron' (Figure of speech variety)
- Come in first
- Li'l jazz instrument
- Very, in Quebec City
- Bridal designer Ms. Wang
- The J. Geils Band hit that begins with camera sound effects
- Streamlet
- Does a bit better than: 2 wds.
- Cousin of Fonzie on "Happy Days"
- "Da Doo __" by The Crystals
- Slot machine symbol
- Shade tree
- Television's Magnum, et al.
- TV taping format, e.g.
- Torah reader's pointer
- Canuck ID
- Actress, Rooney __
- Lily kind
- "...a will, __ a way."
- Prior to this time, poetically
- Space shadow
- Psychic fair card
- Doorway part
- Attention
- Metamorphoses poet
- Meshworks
- Log Z's
- Completely
- Actress, Melissa __ Anderson

★ IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
Be open to new ideas or applications on how to use something that you already own. You also might see new ways of making money.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Take a realistic look in the mirror to see how you can improve your appearance today. After all, you never get a second chance to make a first impression.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
If you work diligently at something behind the scenes, you will come up with some new results. You have a clever mind, and today you are resourceful.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
You might attract someone powerful today. If so, listen to what this person has to say, because he or she could influence your future goals in some way. (It never hurts to listen.)

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
A discussion with a parent, boss or authority figure will be powerful today. However, you might have new ideas about how to make improvements or reforms. If so, speak up.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Avoid controversial issues like politics, religion and racial matters today, because people are intense. This means a discussion could turn into a quarrel. You don't need this.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Take care of loose details regarding taxes, debt, bills, inheritances and insurance issues today, because you have the focus and concentration to get this done. Ah, freedom!

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Be accommodating with others today, because the Moon is opposite your sign. This means you cannot be demanding. Just go along with whatever happens.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Set aside some time today to do something that will make you feel better organized. Give yourself a support system to make your life easier.

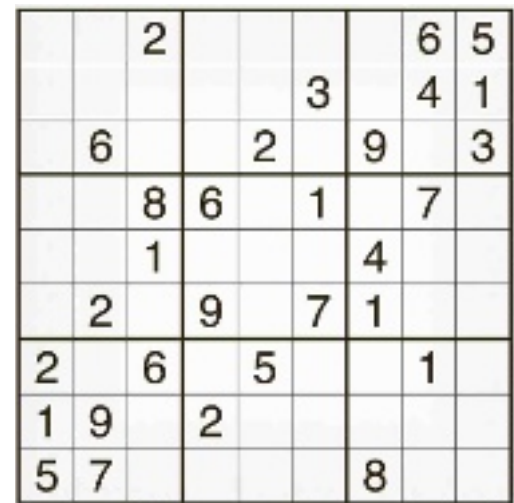
Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Today you might see a new approach when it comes to a social situation or how you deal with children. Likewise, you might view a romantic situation in a new light.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Today you will see ways to make improvements at home, or how you can change the way you do things at home. You might see new uses for things you already own.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
This is a strong day for those of you who sell, market, teach, act or write, because your communication skills are direct and forthright. You will be clear about what you want.

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